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#### WAR NEWS.

A dispatch from Fortress Monroe, dated on Friday last, announces the arrival of a part of Admiral Porter's fleet in Hampton Roads. A brigade of troops had started from Fort Fisher in the direction of Wilmington. The remainder of the forces were reconnoitering the banks of Cape Fear River, preparatory, it is said, to a general advance.

Five blockade runners, ignorant of the fall of Fort Fisher, are said to have been captured by the Federal fleet in New Inlet. The names of these vessels have not yet been ascertained.

From the Army of the Potomac we learn that considerable firing occurred along the line in front of Petersburg during the night of Thursday and the morning of Friday last. On Thursday the Confederate troops are said to have been quite jubilant-indulging extensively in cheering, bell ringing, &c., for hours. The cause of the rejoicing was not known.

From Savannah we learn that vessels were loading at that point with the cotton found stored there when Gen. Sherman entered the The amount of cotton captured is said to be larger than it was originally stated to be. The stories of the suffering in Savannah have been greatly exaggerated.

A Cairo dispatch states that, from present indications, the army under General Thomas will not soon move from its position on the Tennessee River. Adjutant General Thomas and staff have passed down the Mississippi River, but for what purpose we do not learn.

A party of Moseby's guerrillas tore up the track of the Baltimore and Ohio Railway, on the night of Wednesday last. A freight train was thrown off; the engineer was plundered of his money and valuables, and one or two cars were broken into. After taking such articles as they could carry off, the marauders decamped. The damage done to the track was repaired in time for the passage of the trains the ensuing day.

PETITION FOR DIVORCE.—In the Pennsylvania Legislature on Thursday, Laura V. Barton, formerly of Baltimore, sent in a petition for divorce. The petition sets forth that Laura V. Barton, at the age of fourteen years, while at school, was enticed from her home, (in Baltimore,) in 1860, by one Theodore M. Barton, and was conveyed by him to Philadelphia, her present residence. She was taken from the cars in order to escape being apprehended, and driven to the office of Alderman William McMullin, where the marriage ceremony was pronounced. He would never allow her to assume his proper name, (Barton.)-During the presentation of the petition the lady was present, accompanied by her child.

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